



# National City Christian Church

## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

September 1, 2019, at 10 a.m.

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Welcome to National City Christian Church, national church of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and a house of prayer that is open to and affirming of all people. We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us. Please fill out the Connect with Us card, and place it in the offering tray. Today's service is 1 hour and 15 minutes.

### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Kevin Biggins, Jr., Valeria Foster, Beverly Goines, and Tony Johnson

Preacher: Steven Baines

#### GATHERING HYMN

*I Will Do a New Thing*

Audrey Byrd

"I will do a new thing in you; I will do a new thing in you;  
Whatever you ask for, whatever you pray for,  
Nothing shall be denied," saith the Lord; saith the Lord!

*Repeat*

No. 63

HOW MAJESTIC

*How Majestic Is Your Name*

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.  
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.  
O Lord, we praise your name. O Lord, we magnify your name:  
Prince of Peace, Mighty God; O Lord God Almighty.

*repeat*

#### ✧ OPENING HYMN

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

No. 25

LOBE DEN HERREN

Verse 1: All - Verse 2: Women Only - Verse 3: Men Only - Verses 4 & 5: All

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation.  
O my soul, worship the well-spring of health and salvation.  
All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near. Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
who, as on wings of an eagle uplifted, sustaineth.  
Hast thou not seen? All that is needful hath been granted in what God ordaineth.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee.  
Surely God's goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with great love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,  
fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.  
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed, spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all of earth's peoples and races,  
all that hath life and breath, give thanks for manifold graces.  
Let the Amen sound from God's people again. Gladly forever sing praises.

#### ✧ RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Tony Johnson

Leader: God of steadfast love, seasons will come and go,

**People: Your love remains constant.**

Leader: Though the news in the world is disheartening,

**People: You breathe hope into us.**

Leader: Though we can be afraid,

**People: Your presence remains with us.**

Leader: Renew us and restore us when we falter and fail.

**Unison: Help us to sing a new song on our journey of faith.**

(✧ Please stand as you are able.)

✧ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

No. 90 (1, 2)

*Come, Christians Join to Sing*

MADRID

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ we bring: Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;  
praise we with grateful choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!  
Christ is our Guide and Friend on whom we can depend;  
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

**THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Steven Baines

✧ CALL TO PRAYER

No. 115

*There's Something About That Name*

THAT NAME

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! There's just something about that name!  
Master, Savior, Jesus! Like the fragrance after the rain.  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! Let all heaven and earth proclaim:  
kings and kingdoms will all pass away, but there's something about that name!  
(repeat)

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

Beverly Goines

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

No. 546 (1, 2)

*Amazing Grace!*

NEW BRITAIN

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

*How Great Thou Art*

No. 33 (1, 4)

O STORE GUD

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

*Refrain*

ANTHEM

There Is a Balm in Gilead  
Alia Waheed, soloist

Spiritual  
arr. William Dawson

MEDITATION

*I Can Still Sing*

Steven Baines

**THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S GRACE**

Those desiring to become members of National City Christian Church, by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith,  
transfer of membership or as an associate member, are invited to come forward during the hymn.

✧ HYMN OF COMMITMENT

No. 566

*Be Still, My Soul*

FINLANDIA

Be still, my soul: for God is on your side; bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Trust in your God, your savior and your guide, who through all changes faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend through thorny ways leads to a peaceful end.

Be still, my soul: for God will undertake to guide the future surely as the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know the voice that calmed them in this world below.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on when we shall dwell with God forever more,  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Beverly Goines

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Sweet Hour of Prayer*

William B. Bradbury

✠ DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Beverly Goines

PRAYERS FOR THE BREAD AND CUP

Loretta Tate  
Kent Woods

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

This table is for all believers in Jesus Christ. Please come forward by the center aisle. When receiving communion, take the bread and dip it into the cup. Return to your seat by the outside aisle. Gluten-free communion wafers are available in the smaller silver tray.

If for any reason you would prefer to remain seated, please do so and communion will be brought to you.

COMMUNION MUSIC

*The Old Rugged Cross*

No. 548 (1, 2, 3)

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame;  
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me;  
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary.

Refrain

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see,  
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me.

Refrain

## THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

✠ HYMN OF GOING FORTH

No. 72

*To God Be the Glory*

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

refrain

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

refrain

✠ BENEDICTION

Steven Baines

***All are invited to the back of the Sanctuary for coffee and fellowship***

POSTLUDE

*Fantasia on St. Anne*

arr. Lawrence P. Schreiber

## PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

Fay Arrington; Douglas and Chieko Cook; Dorothy Davis; Bill Eldred; Eddie Franklin; Constance Jennings; Courtney and Betty Jones; Barbara Kelley; Tawanna Lloyd; Harold Magnusson; Drusilla McCain; Beverly Schacht; Steve Selde; Sally Skislak; Kathleen Swihart; Esther Tyson; Beverly Williams; military and civil service persons around the world; and victims of natural disasters.

## CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

Downsville Christian Church  
Williamsport, Maryland

## GLOBAL MINISTRIES

Nishan Bakalian, Lebanon

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers were given by Kathy Burger Gerada in memory of Trice and Florence Burger.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

**Combined Choirs Rehearsal** - 9 a.m., Music Suite  
**Worship** - 10 a.m., Sanctuary  
**Sanctuary Tour** - 11:15 a.m. Meet in the back of the Sanctuary, near President Garfield Memorial Window, for a special guided tour.  
**Adoración en Español** - 11 a.m., Community Room

### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** **NCCC OFFICES CLOSED**

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

**Toddler Playgroup** - 9:30 a.m., Community Room  
**Food Pantry** - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Atrium  
**Fortissima Singers** - Music Suite

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

**Lambda Squares** - 6:30 p.m., Music Suite

### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

**Music at Midday - Free!** 12:15 p.m., Sanctuary. Organist **Ondřej Horňas** (Prague, Czechia) will open the new season of midday concerts with a symphonic poem by Bedřich Smetana and the final movement from Antonín Dvořák's Symphony No. 9 "From the New World."  
**DeObaldia & Whited Wedding Rehearsal** - 4 p.m., Sanctuary  
**Bible Study in Herndon** - 7 p.m., at Terri Malone's in Herndon, Virginia.

### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

**Prayer call at 8 a.m.** - All are invited to join the weekly conference prayer line for National City. Simply dial 712-775-7031, enter access code 371015. For more information, contact Loretta Tate at 202-489-2020.  
**DeObaldia & Whited Wedding** - 4 p.m., Sanctuary

### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

**Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal** - 9 a.m., Music Suite  
**Gospel Choir Rehearsal** - 9:30 a.m., Music Suite  
**Worship** - 10 a.m., Sanctuary

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## FOR OUR GUESTS

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**Get Social** - follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram [@nationalcitycc](https://www.instagram.com/nationalcitycc).

**Membership at National City Christian Church** - It would be our joy to welcome you into the membership of this congregation. You may join through transfer of membership from another congregation or through a profession of faith and baptism. Associate or student memberships are available as well. Please feel free to talk with any minister or email [sgentle@nationalcitycc.org](mailto:sgentle@nationalcitycc.org).

**Nursery** - Childcare is available during the morning for children through age four. The nursery is in the 2nd Floor Conference Room. Speak with a greeter or any member for directions.

**Pastoral Needs** - If you would like to speak with a pastor, please feel free to meet with one of the pastors at the door after the worship service or call 202-232-0323 during office hours.

**Worship and preaching resources:** David Bartlett and Barbara Brown Taylor, ed. *Feasting on the Word* (Louisville: Westminster Press, 2009); Colbert Cartwright and O.I. Cricket Harrison, ed. *Chalice Worship* (St. Louis: Chalice Press, 1999); *Revised Common Lectionary*, Center for Biblical Preaching, [www.workingpreacher.org](http://www.workingpreacher.org). Donald Hustad, ed. *The Worshiping Church Worship Leader* (Carol Stream: Hope Publishing, 1991); Susan Adams, Colbert Cartwright, Daniel Merrick, ed. *Chalice Hymnal Worship Leader's Companion* (St. Louis: Chalice Press, 1998)